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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM APPEAL**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed July 9, 2004, please reconsider the application in view of the following Amendment and Response. A Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted herewith. By this Amendment and Response and RCE, the Applicants' pending appeal in this case is hereby withdrawn prior to the issuance of a ruling from the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.